United States District Court Southern District of Texas

## **ENTERED**

December 11, 2018
David J. Bradley, Clerk

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS LAREDO DIVISION

MCPHERSON 4200, LLC,

Plaintiff,

VS.

SCOTTSDALE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:17-CV-223

## **MEMORANDUM**

Before the Court is the Parties' Joint Stipulation of Dismissal without Prejudice (Dkt. No. 12). Parties in a civil suit may generally dismiss the suit without a court order upon the filing of a stipulation of dismissal "signed by all parties who have appeared." FED. R. CIV. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). This general rule is subject to limitations in class action suits, shareholder derivative suits, and suits where the court has appointed a receiver. See FED. R. CIV. P. 41(a). None of those limitations apply here.

Thus, because the filing is signed by all parties who have appeared in this case, all of Plaintiff's claims were dismissed without prejudice "effective upon [the] filing" of the Stipulation of Dismissal. See SmallBizPros, Inc. v. MacDonald, 618 F.3d 458, 463 (5th Cir. 2010) ("Because filing a voluntary stipulation of dismissal . . . is effective immediately, any action by the district court after the filing of such a stipulation can have no force or effect because the matter has already been dismissed by the parties themselves without any court action.").

The Clerk of Court is hereby directed to CLOSE this case.

SIGNED December 11, 2018.

Marina Garcia Marmolejo
United States District Judge